



Haldimand
County

**THE CORPORATION OF HALDIMAND COUNTY
COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Date: January 16, 2024
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building

Council Present S. Bentley, Mayor
 J. Metcalfe, Councillor
 D. Lawrence, Councillor
 M. Trainer, Councillor
 R. Shirton, Councillor
 P. O'Neill, Councillor

Staff Present C. Case, Chief Administrative Officer
 M. Evers, General Manager, Community & Development Services
 T. Haedrich, General Manager, Engineering & Capital Works
 M. Jamieson, General Manager, Corporate & Social Services
 D. McKinnon, General Manager, Public Works Operations
 M. Merritt, General Manager, Financial & Data Services
 A. Chamberlin, Project Manager, Forestry
 K. Hayes, Supervisor, Customer Experience & Communication
 J. Misner, Manager, Facilities, Parks, Cemeteries & Forestry
 Operations
 C. Tang, Secretary Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment
 S. VanDalen, Manager, Planning & Development
 T. Cassidy, Council Services Coordinator/Deputy Clerk

A. Call to Order

Mayor Bentley called the Council in Committee meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

B. Land Acknowledgement

Councillor O'Neill read the Land Acknowledgement statement.

C. Roll Call

The Mayor and all Members of Council were in attendance except Councillor Patterson.

D. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Trainer declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Memorandum PDD-M01-2024 and Report PDD-32-2023 Application for Site Specific Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit an Oversized Accessory Structure as she has a relative who formerly resided at this property and another relative who is in a relationship with a relative of the applicant.

Mayor Bentley declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Reports CAO-01-2024 Integrity Commissioner Investigations 26575 Municipal Conflict of Interest & Code of Conduct – Mayor Bentley and CAO-02-2024 Integrity Commissioner Investigations 27404, 27405 – Mayor Bentley, Councillor Patterson as she is the subject of both investigations.

E. Public Meeting for Planning Applications

Mayor Bentley, Vice-Chair of Public Meeting for Planning Applications, remained the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

Prior to commencing the public meeting, the Chair explained the meeting, delegation and appeal process. It was noted that decisions made by Committee at this meeting would be given final consideration at the January 24, 2024 Council meeting.

1 PDD-02-2024 Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit Rezoning from Community Institutional to Hamlet Residential - Fisherville

C. Tang presented the report.

There being no one present to speak either for or against this application, deliberations concluded with the introduction of the following recommendation.

Recommendation 1

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

1. THAT Report PDD-02-2024 Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit Rezoning from Community Institutional to Hamlet Residential - Fisherville be received;
2. AND THAT Application PLZ-HA-2023-182 to amend the Haldimand County Zoning By-law HC 1-2020 to rezone the subject lands from the “Community Institutional (IC)” Zone to the “Hamlet Residential (RH)” Zone be approved for the reasons outlined in the Report PDD-02-2024;
3. AND THAT the application is considered to be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020, conforms to A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2020 and the Haldimand County Official Plan, and has sufficient regard for matters of provincial interest under the *Planning Act, 1990*;
4. AND THAT the by-law attached to Report PDD-02-2024 be approved.

CARRIED

F. Motions of Consent

None.

G. Departmental Staff Reports

1 Community and Development Services

Councillor Lawrence, Chair of Community and Development Services, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

1.1 PDD-M01-2024 Update to Report PDD-32-2023 Application for Site Specific Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit an Oversized Accessory Structure

Recommendation 2

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

THAT Memorandum PDD-M01-2024 Update to Report PDD-32-2023 Application for Site Specific Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit an Oversized Accessory Structure be received.

CARRIED

1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

1.1.1 PDD-32-2023 Application for Site Specific Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit an Oversized Accessory Structure

Recommendation 3

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT Report PDD-32-2023 Application for Site Specific Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit an Oversized Accessory Structure be received.

CARRIED

1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

1.2 Other Business

None.

2 Public Works Operations

Councillor Trainer, Chair of Public Works Operations, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

2.1 ENV-01-2024 Solid Waste Program Costing Review

Recommendation 4

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report ENV-01-2024 Solid Waste Program Costing Review be received;
2. AND THAT staff be directed to undertake a Solid Waste Management Master Plan (SWMMP) with funding to be included in the 2024 Tax Supported Operating Budget for Council consideration.

CARRIED

2.2 FPC-01-2024 Trees for All Program

Recommendation 5

Moved By: Councillor Lawrence

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report FPC-01-2024 Trees for All Program be received;
2. AND THAT staff be authorized to allocate a maximum of \$200,000 from the County's reforestation reserve account over five years to support the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Trees for All Program in Haldimand County.

CARRIED

2.3 Other Business

None.

3 Engineering and Capital Works

Councillor Metcalfe, Chair of Engineering and Capital Works, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

3.1 ENG-01-2024 Speed Limit Reduction – Brookers Road, Rainham

Recommendation 6

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Mayor Bentley

1. THAT Report ENG-01-2024 Speed Limit Reduction – Brookers Road, Rainham be received;

2. AND THAT the Rate of Speed By-law 2356/22 be amended on Brookers Road as outlined in Report ENG-01-2024.

CARRIED

3.2 Other Business

None.

4 Financial and Data Services

Councillor O'Neill, Chair of Financial and Data Services, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

4.1 Other Business

None.

5 Corporate and Social Services

Councillor Shirton, Chair of Corporate and Social Services, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

5.1 CEC-02-2024 Corporate Customer Service Standards

Recommendation 7

Moved By: Mayor Bentley

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

1. THAT Report CEC-02-2024 Corporate Customer Service Standards be received;
2. AND THAT the Corporate Customer Service Standards, included as Attachment 1 to Report CEC-02-2024, be adopted and approved;
3. AND THAT authority to revise or update the Corporate Customer Service Standards be delegated to the Senior Management Team (SMT).

CARRIED

5.2 HRD-M02-2024 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee Annual Report to Council

Recommendation 8

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT Memorandum HRD-M02-2024 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee Annual Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

5.3 Other Business

None.

6 Corporate Affairs

Deputy Mayor Metcalfe, Vice-Chair of Corporate Affairs, resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

6.1 CAO-01-2024 Integrity Commissioner Investigations 26575 Municipal Conflict of Interest & Code of Conduct – Mayor Bentley

Mayor Bentley left the meeting for this item.

Recommendation 9

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

1. THAT Report CAO-01-2024 Integrity Commissioner Investigations 26575 Municipal Conflict of Interest & Code of Conduct – Mayor Bentley be received;
2. AND THAT the legal costs incurred by Mayor Shelley Ann Bentley in the amount of \$16,240.77 associated with Integrity Commissioner Report 26575 be reimbursed in full by the municipality, funded from the Self-Insurance Reserve.

CARRIED

1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

6.2 CAO-02-2024 Integrity Commissioner Investigations 27404, 27405 – Mayor Bentley, Councillor Patterson

Recommendation 10

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT Report CAO-02-2024 Integrity Commissioner Investigations 27404, 27405 – Mayor Bentley, Councillor Patterson be received.

CARRIED

1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Bentley resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

6.3 Other Business

None.

H. Delegations and Consideration of Related Reports (1 p.m.)

None.

I. Unfinished Business

None.

J. New Business

Deputy Mayor Metcalfe resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

- 1 Resolution from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Re: Support to Revoke Strong Mayor Powers

Recommendation 11

Moved By: Mayor Bentley

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT Council supports the resolution from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, dated December 1, 2023, Re: Support to Revoke Strong Mayor Powers.

CARRIED

- 2 Resolution from the Township of Clearview Re: Cemetery Transfer/Abandonment Administration & Management Support

Recommendation 12

Moved By: Mayor Bentley

Seconded By: Councillor Trainer

THAT staff be directed to report back to a future Council in Committee meeting on options for cemetery transfer/abandonment administration and management support.

CARRIED

Mayor Bentley resumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

K. Reports, Inquiries, Announcements and Concerns of Councillors

The following item was highlighted:

- Update on ROMA delegations

L. Presentations and Consideration of Related Reports (11 a.m.)

- 1 CEC-01-2024 Accessible Design Standards
- 2 CEC-M01-2024 Annual Accessibility Compliance Report and Status Update

K. Hayes provided an overview of the accessible design standards and highlighted 2023 accessibility accomplishments.

Recommendation 13

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

1. THAT Report CEC-01-2024 Accessible Design Standards be received;
2. AND THAT the Accessible Design Standards, as outlined in Report CEC-01-2024, be approved;
3. AND THAT the Senior Management Team be delegated the authority to revise the Accessible Design Standards in the future, where deemed necessary to maintain compliance with related legislation and/or for housekeeping changes.

CARRIED

Recommendation 14

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT Memorandum CEC-M01-2024 Annual Accessibility Compliance Report and Status Update be received.

CARRIED

M. Closed Session

Recommendation 15

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT pursuant to Sections 239 (2)(c) and (d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Council convene in a meeting at 11:02 a.m. closed to the public to discuss:

Section 239 (2)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations

- 1 HRD-M01-2024 ONA Bargaining Update

Section 239 (2)(c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

- 2 LSS-M01-2024 Information Regarding Haldimand County's 2024 Vacant Land Values Chart

CARRIED

Recommendation 16

Moved By: Councillor Lawrence

Seconded By: Councillor Shirton

THAT this closed meeting now adjourn at 11:15 a.m. and reconvene in open session.

CARRIED

N. Motions Arising from Closed Session

Recommendation 17

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Trainer

THAT Memorandum HRD-M01-2024 ONA Bargaining Update be received and remain confidential.

CARRIED

Recommendation 18

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Trainer

THAT Memorandum LSS-M01-2024 Information Regarding Haldimand County's 2024 Vacant Land Values Chart be received and remain confidential.

CARRIED

O. Motion of Receipt

None.

P. Adjournment

Recommendation 19

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Trainer

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

DEPUTY CLERK